

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY  
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

**OFFICE:** TRENTON

**DATE:** JULY 2, 2024

**JUDGE MICHAEL A. SHIPP**

**COURT REPORTER:** SHANNAN GAGLIARDI

**TITLE OF CASE:**  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

**DOCKET # 3:22-CR-621-01 (MAS)**

vs.

KATHERINE PETERSON  
DEFENDANT PRESENT

**APPEARANCES:**

Shankar Ramamurthy, AUSA and Jeffrey Crapko, AUSA for Government  
Mark Berman, Esq. and Kelly Zampino, Esq. for Defendant

**NATURE OF PROCEEDINGS:** JURY TRIAL – Day 6

Trial with jury resumed before the Honorable Michael A. Shipp as to Defendant Katherine Peterson.

14 jurors present.

Juror #12 is excused.

Final instructions provided to jurors.

Shankar Ramamurthy, AUSA summed for the Government.

Recess taken from 10:58 a.m. to 11:10 a.m.

Mark Berman, Esq. summed for the Defendant.

Shankar Ramamurthy, AUSA summed on rebuttal for the Government.

Ordered Alternates to be selected. Alternates selected as follows: Alternate #1 – Juror #2. Alternate #2 – Juror #9.

Alternate Jurors excused to Jury Assembly.

Order CSO sworn; CSO Terence Merrigan.

Jury Deliberations will all 12 jurors commenced at 1:02 p.m.

Ordered Jury Lunch provided by Dominick's Pizzeria & Italian Restaurant (12) at the Government's expense.

Recess taken from 1:02 p.m. to 3:06 p.m.

Jury Communication #1 (un-numbered) received at 2:45 p.m.

Jury returned to Court with verdict.

All 12 jurors present and alternates #1 and #2 present.

VERDICT: NOT GUILTY.

Ordered jury polled; jury polled. All jurors agree with verdict.

Ordered jury discharged; jury and alternates discharged.

Ordered exhibits returned to counsel; exhibits returned to counsel.

Judgment of Acquittal to be filed.

Trial with jury complete.

Time Commenced: 9:27 AM

Time Adjourned: 3:11 PM

Total Time: 3 hours 28 mins

s/ James Balfour  
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